

House Resolution 611

By: Representative Burns of the 157th

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending Lawton McDonald Nease, Jr.; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, Lawton McDonald Nease, Jr., a distinguished leader, husband, father,
3 grandfather, great-grandfather, and exemplary citizen of Effingham County, has recently
4 been awarded the Rotary Club of Effingham County's Lifetime Service Above Self Award;
5 and

6 WHEREAS, Mr. Nease cofounded the Fifth Sunday Men's Breakfast with Neil Wilkins
7 Ratchford to provide an opportunity for men of faith to express their affection for their
8 families, churches, and communities and partake of an excellent meal of sausage, grits, eggs,
9 and biscuits; and

10 WHEREAS, the Fifth Sunday Breakfast has served an estimated 10,000 men during its 50
11 years of operation, making it the longest running activity of its kind in the region; and it has
12 hosted a number of notable guests, including President Jimmy Carter, U.S. Senators Sam
13 Nunn and Mack Mattingly, numerous congressmen, and state and local officials; and

14 WHEREAS, Mr. Nease served his country in the United States Navy during World War II
15 and was an independent businessman for more than 60 years; and

16 WHEREAS, he served his community selflessly as a member of Guyton Historical Society,
17 the Historic Effingham Society, a member the Southeast Planning Commission under
18 Presidents Nixon and Ford, and as a member of the Guyton City Council for 30 years; and

19 WHEREAS, he has shared more than 60 years of wonderful marriage with Jane Poole Nease,
20 and they are blessed with three children, four grandchildren, and six great-grandchildren; and

1 WHEREAS, Mr. Nease has taught Sunday school at Guyton United Methodist Church for
2 more than 50 years, and he has been a member of the Masonic Order for more than 60 years;
3 and

4 WHEREAS, he has been honored with the Effingham Chamber of Commerce Treutlen
5 Award, an award named after John Adam Treutlen, the first elected governor of Georgia and
6 a citizen of Effingham County; and

7 WHEREAS, as he has commanded the esteem of his friends and neighbors, it is fitting and
8 proper to commend such a distinguished citizen.

9 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
10 the members of this body join in honoring Lawton McDonald Nease, Jr., commending his
11 continuing service to Effingham, the State of Georgia, and the United States, and extending
12 to him their sincerest best wishes for his future health and happiness.

13 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
14 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Lawton McDonald Nease,
15 Jr.